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REMARKS

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Schuetzen Kaserne on Bernauer Heerstrasse.

1. It was estimated that there were still about 2,500 troops in the billeting area between 13 and 18 July. No changes in the occupation were observed.

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3. A column of four trucks, five armored scout cars, three sidecar motorcycles and five armored passenger cars left the Schuetzen Kaserne toward Klobbicke (N 53/V 17) on 14 July 1950. About 100 troops were seen at basic drill in the barracks yard. About 200 more troops marched to the target range, carrying carbines, submachine guns and cardboard targets. Trucks

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4. Fourteen sidecar motorcycles with 45 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets without arms and equipment were in front of a garage in the billeting area on 26 July 1950. Eighty to a hundred men were drilling at the drill ground. Twelve groups, totaling about 30 soldiers, were receiving

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instruction on battery commanders' telescopes, aiming circles and compasses on the western edge of the billeting area. The noise of tank motors was heard from the garages. Ambulances

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passenger car and trucks and two two-axle armored scout cars were seen at the barracks.

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Artillerie Kaserne on Freienwalderstrasse.

5. The installation seemed to be only partly occupied between 17 and 28 July 1950. The eastern buildings were not lighted in the evenings and only two-fifths of the windows of the western buildings were illuminated.
6. A column of 30 sidecar motorcycles, 3 armored scout cars and 5 armored passenger cars left the Artillerie Kaserne through the western gate on 13 July 1950, heading toward Trampe (N 53/V 18). One T-34 tank left through the rear gate, going through the woods toward Trampe. Trucks were seen at the western gate.

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7. Trucks were observed in traffic at the Artillerie Kaserne on 25 July 1950.

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AA Gun Emplacements.

8. On 21 July 1950, an emplacement of three heavy AA guns of about 80 mm caliber and three earth bunkers were seen in a clearing in the woods south of the Eberswalde-Pinow railroad line, about 2 km east of the Pinow railroad station. Five trucks were parked along the southern edge of the woods where 20 to 25 soldiers worked, presumably constructing more earth bunkers. On 22 July 1950 the guns were no longer observed but soldiers were still working in the area.
9. On 22 July 1950 an emplacement of three light AA guns of about 50 mm caliber and three earth bunkers were observed on the southwestern perimeter of Eberswalde, south of the elementary school building, Westend.

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Ardelt Plant.

10. No changes were observed at the Ardelt Plant on 22 July 1950. All officers entering and leaving the premises had to show their passes. Two generals who had been seen before entered the plant area at 8:30 a.m. Another general who had not been seen before was in front of the guardhouse with four officers at 11:30 a.m. This general was about 185 cm tall, slender, had greying hair, two gold teeth, an aristocratic bearing, was between 52 and 55 years of age and wore one star on his epaulets.
11. Passenger car and trucks were identified at the Ardelt Plant on 22 July 1950.

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